AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An electrophotographic recording device using different color toners, comprising:

a color matching processing unit which ~~perform~~ performs color matching processing including color slippage correction of different color images;

an automatic color matching mode processing unit which [[work]] controls the color matching processing unit when conditions beforehand decided in the state that an automatic correction mode is set up are realized; and

a manual color matching mode processing unit which [[work]] controls the color matching processing unit when [[this]] said manual color matching mode processing unit recognizes an operator's manual color matching instructing operation in the state that a non-correction mode is set up,

wherein the automatic color matching mode processing unit comprises a pre-printing correction mode, a periodic correction mode, and a composite correction mode including the pre-

printing correction mode and the periodic correction mode, any one of which is selected by

operator's operation.

Claim 2 (currently amended): An electrophotographic recording device comprising:

a belt unit which ~~absorb~~ absorbs a recording sheet thereon and ~~feeding~~ feeds it at a

constant speed;

electrostatic recording units, arranged along the direction of the feed of the recording

sheet, which form latent images corresponding to image data by optical scanning of exposure

devices onto rotating photosensitive drums, developing the latent images with toner components

having different colors, and then transferring the developed images onto the recording sheet on

the belt unit;

a color matching processing unit which ~~perform~~ performs color matching processing

including color slippage correction of different color images;

an automatic color matching mode processing unit which [[work]] controls the color

matching processing unit when conditions beforehand decided in the state that an automatic

correction mode is set up are realized; and

a manual color matching mode processing unit which [[work]] controls the color

matching processing unit when [[this]] said manual color matching mode processing unit

recognizes an operator's manual color matching instructing operation in the state that a non-

correction mode is set up.

wherein the automatic color matching mode processing unit comprises a pre-printing correction mode, a periodic correction mode, and a composite correction mode including the pre-printing correction mode and the periodic correction mode, any one of which is selected by operator's operation.

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (currently amended): The device according to claim 3, wherein when the automatic color matching mode processing unit recognizes selection of the pre-printing correction mode by the operator, [[this]] said automatic color matching mode processing unit [[works]] controls the color matching processing unit before start of printing in the case of receipt of a printing request.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The device according to claim 3, wherein when the automatic color matching mode processing unit recognizes selection of the periodic correction mode by the operator, [[this]] said automatic color matching mode processing unit [[works]] controls the color matching processing unit, in a printing wait state, whenever elapsed time Tw from the preceding color matching processing reaches a given periodic time n.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The device according to claim 3, wherein in the case that

the automatic color matching mode processing unit recognizes selection of the composite

correction mode by the operator, at the time of receiving a printing request [[this]] said automatic

color matching mode processing unit [[works]] controls the color matching processing unit

before start of printing; and [[this]] said automatic color matching mode processing unit

[[works]] controls the color matching processing unit, in a printing wait state, whenever elapsed

time Tw from the preceding color matching processing reaches a given periodic time n.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The device according to claim 4, wherein in the case that

the automatic color matching mode processing unit recognizes selection of the pre-printing

correction mode by the operator, [[this]] said automatic color matching mode processing unit

starts printing without working controlling the color matching processing unit when said

automatic color matching mode processing unit receives the printing request and elapsed time

Tw from the preceding color matching processing is below a given time m; and when the elapsed

time Tw is not less than the given time m, the automatic color matching mode processing unit

[[works]] controls the color matching processing unit and subsequently starts printing.

Claim 8 (currently amended): The device according to claim 1, wherein when the

manual color matching mode processing unit recognizes the operator's manual color matching

instructing operation, [[this]] said manual color matching mode processing unit [[works]]

<u>controls</u> the color matching processing unit forcibly even if the automatic mode of the automatic color matching mode processing unit is selected.

Claim 9 (original): The device according to claim 1, wherein the color matching processing unit performs density correction of the respective color images designated by the operator, as well as color slippage correction of the different color images.

Claim 10 (original): The device according to claim 1, which comprises an operator operation panel for performing mode selection operation for the automatic color matching mode processing unit, and manual color matching designation operation for the manual color matching processing unit.

Claim 11 (currently amended): The device according to claim 1, which comprises an interface processing unit which ~~perform~~ <u>performs a</u> mode selection operation for the automatic color matching mode processing unit through a screen of a terminal of an external unit connected to a network, and ~~receive~~ <u>receives</u> and ~~process~~ <u>processing</u> a request of manual color matching designation operation for the manual color matching processing unit.